

LESSON

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PRACTICE WORKSHEET B

COPYMASTER

Creating Sentence Variety

Writing 9

Directions: Rewrite *parts* of the boxed paragraph to create sentence variety. Use the suggestions in brackets.

The microprocessor was developed in 1971. The microprocessor is a tiny chip. It has had a big effect on the computer industry. Inventions such as video games appeared. This happened when smaller computers became possible. Video games became popular quickly.

Video games are fun. They have realistic graphics and interesting sound effects. A player must have good coordination and good reflexes to win. A player's greatest challenge, however, is concentrating.

1. Rewrite sentence 1. [Vary sentence 1 by using the underlined phrase as an opener.]

2. Combine sentences 2 and 3. [Join sentences 2 and 3 to form a compound sentence using *but*.]

3. Combine sentences 4 and 5. [Join sentences 4 and 5 to form a complex sentence. Begin with *when*.]

4. Combine sentences 7 and 8. [Join sentences 7 and 8 in a complex sentence. Begin with *because*.]

5. Rewrite sentences 9 and 10. [Vary the beginnings of sentences 9 and 10 as you see fit.]
